BEFORE THE MEDICAL BOARD OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Decision and Order against:

Tuoc Khong Duong, M.D.

Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate No. A 88590

Respondent.

Case No. 800-2017-034849

CEASE PRACTICE ORDER

In the Medical Board of California (Board) Case No. 800-2017-034849, the Board issued a Decision adopting a Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order, which became effective October 7, 2021. In the Board's Order, Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate No. A 88590, issued to Tuoc Khong Duong, M.D., was ordered revoked, revocation stayed, and Respondent was placed on five (5) years' probation with terms and conditions.

Probationary Condition No. 3, Biological Fluid Testing, requires Respondent to immediately submit to biological fluid testing, at Respondent's expense, upon request of the Board or its designee. "Biological fluid testing" may include, but is not limited to, urine, blood, breathalyzer, hair follicle testing, or similar drug screening approved by the Board or its designee. If Respondent fails to cooperate in a random biological fluid testing program within the specified time frame, Respondent shall receive a notification from the Board or its designee to immediately cease the practice of medicine. Respondent shall not resume the practice of medicine until the final decision on an accusation and/or petition to revoke probation is effective.

Probationary Condition No. 6, Monitoring – Practice, requires Respondent, within 30 calendar days of the effective date of the Decision, to submit to the Board or its designee for prior approval as a practice monitor(s), the name and qualifications of one or more licensed physicians and surgeons whose licenses are valid and in good standing, and who are preferably American Board of Medical Specialties (ABMS) certified. Within 60 calendar days of the effective date, and continuing throughout probation, Respondent's practice shall be monitored by the approved monitor. If Respondent fails to obtain approval of a monitor within 60 calendar days of the effective date, Respondent shall receive a notification from the Board or its designee to cease the practice of medicine within three (3) calendar days after being so notified. Respondent shall cease the practice of medicine until a monitor is approved to provide monitoring responsibility.

Respondent has failed to obey Probationary Condition Nos. 3 and 6, as ordered in the above Decision, by failing to cooperate in a random biological fluid testing program within the specified time frame, and failing to obtain approval of a practice monitor within 60 calendar days of the effective date of the Decision. Accordingly, Respondent, Tuoc Khong Duong, M.D., is prohibited from engaging in the practice of medicine. Respondent shall not resume the practice of medicine until a final decision has been issued on an accusation and/or a petition to revoke probation filed pursuant to this matter.

IT IS SO ORDERED February 7, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.

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Executive Director